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1. On 25 June 1951, the airfields at Markersdorf (O 49/W 78) and Fels am Wagram (O 49/R 91) were unoccupied. No indications of an intended reoccupation were observed. *
2. On 27 June, it was observed that Velm (P 49/X 47) airfield was unoccupied. Eighteen air force soldiers, under the command of an officer, were mowing grass on the field. [redacted] hauled the hay toward Luenchendorf (P 49/X 47). **
3. On 30 June, no change of occupation was observed at Parndorf (P 48/X 77) airfield. ***

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25X1A Comment. Markersdorf airfield has apparently been abandoned by the Soviets and released for agricultural purposes. [redacted]. Fels am Wagram airfield was formerly under cultivation and was graded and rolled by Soviet soldiers in the summer of 1950. It is possible that the field will be used as an auxiliary airfield.

25X1A Comment. Velm airfield has been permanently reserved by Soviets. The mowing of auxiliary airfields by soldiers has always been an indication for an intended occupation by aircraft. [redacted] indicates that the field is possibly to be occupied by aircraft of the fighter division stationed in Trauersdorf and Wiener-Neustadt.

25X1A Comment. Parndorf airfield was occupied by ten fighters on 19 June 1951. According to [redacted] and troop shipments previously reported, it appears that a fighter regiment was transferred from Hungary to Parndorf. See [redacted]

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